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TO: IMMEDIATE DIRECTOR.

FOR: LIMIT CE/W/MB

SLUGS: WNINTEL GTDANCER

*SUBJECT: <JFK ASSASSINATION>RECORDS TEAM

REF: SECSTATE 220406

TEXT:

1. ACTION REQUIRED: IMMEDIATE REPLY.

2. EMBASSY HAS ASKED COS TO APPROACH TYVAPOROUS RE *ACCESS TO<JFK ASSASSINATION>RECORDS RESIDING IN THEIR ARCHIVES IN MINSK. APPARENTLY NORMAN MAILER WAS GIVEN ACCESS TO DO RESEARCH FOR HIS BOOK ON THE SUBJECT TWO YEARS AGO. EMBASSY ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN ACCESS OVER THE PAST YEAR *HAVE BEEN FUTILE. A TEAM FROM THE<ASSASSINATION>RECORDS REVIEW BOARD IS ARRIVING 29 OCT TO MEET WITH GOB OFFICIALS ON THE SUBJECT AND EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO GET THIS JOB DONE.

3. COS MUST ADMIT CARRYING WATER FOR THIS EMBASSY IS A SOMEWHAT DISTASTEFUL CHORE, BUT IS WILLING TO DO THE NEEDFUL (IF ONLY FOR THE PLEASURE OF HAVING EMBASSY CONCEDE THEY COULD NOT ACCOMPLISH THE MISSION WITHOUT NWBOLTON). STATION DOES NOT SEE ANY PROBLEMS, BUT IN ORDER TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS IN TIME AN IMMEDIATE CONCURRENCE IS REQUESTED. THANKS AND REGARDS.

4. FILE: GUNGA-DHIN. CL BY: 0593899 CL REASON: 1.5(C) DECL ON: X1 DRV HUM 4-82.

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